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ARKANSAS STATE NEWS.

Prominent Young White Man Shot and Killed By a Negro in Desha County.

DEMAND ADOPTION OF MORE LIBERAL LAW

Hon. R. B. Macon Nominated for Congress from the First District—New Faculty Selected for State University—Big Game Suit Settled.

Killed By a Negro.

James Cross, a young white man, was murdered by Martin Nash, a negro, at Pendleton, Desha county. The killing was witnessed by Col. Cross, father of the murdered man, and a younger brother. The weapon used was a shotgun, and both barrels were discharged. Col. Cross and his two sons went to the steamboat landing to see Mrs. Cross safely aboard a steamer. Mrs. Cross had gone on the boat and the trip up the river had been resumed by the steamer when the tragedy occurred. Col. Cross had observed the negro Nash, armed with a shotgun, standing around the landing. When the party started to return to the Cross home Col. Cross said to the negro, "What are you doing here on my premises with a shotgun?" The negro made no verbal reply. He turned and fired upon James Cross, with the result mentioned. Young Cross fell dead. The negro then took to flight, but Col. Cross and Clay Cross opened fire on him with their revolvers and it is thought they wounded him in the leg, but he eluded them and making his way to Arkansas City, surrendered. Col. Cross did not know until the smoke of battle had cleared away that his son had been killed. He assumed that the negro was firing at him and did not intend to kill anyone but him.

Big Game Suit Settled.

Warren C. Purry, of Van Buren county, received from the Frisco road a check for \$17,800, in full settlement of judgment and interest rendered against the railway in the Fort Smith federal court one year ago, the case having been affirmed in the United States supreme court about three weeks ago. This is supposed to be the largest amount ever given for personal injury in Arkansas. Purry, while working as a locomotive fireman, was injured in a collision near Springdale three years ago, his lower limbs being so badly burned as to cause amputation, besides receiving a compound fracture of the skull. The accident was alleged to have been caused by the failure of an operator to deliver orders to the train upon which Purry was fireman. The Frisco road set up the defense that a fireman and an operator are fellow-servants. Purry received a verdict for sixteen thousand dollars. The case was taken to the court of appeals and thence to the supreme court of the United States, both the higher courts sustaining Judge Rogers' decision.

New Faculty Selected.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of the State University, held at Fayetteville last week, the following faculty was selected: Harrison Randolph of Virginia, president; A. E. Menke, chemistry; J. C. Futrell, ancient languages; G. W. Drake, mathematics; J. J. Knoch, civil engineering; W. N. Gladson, electrical engineering; A. H. Perdue, geology; H. M. Willis, economics; W. S. Johnson, pedagogics; F. W. Pickle, biology; J. H. Reynolds, history; J. W. Keyndall, preparatory department; Mrs. Nell Carothers, librarian; J. W. Carr, English and modern languages; Mrs. Jennie Bowman, elocution.

Bunch of Convicts Escaped.

A bunch of convicts escaped last week from the convict camp at England. They were: Fayette Rogers, colored, Columbia county, 15 years, assault to kill and aiding escape, committed October 19, 1900; Rufus Hardridge, colored, alias Joe Diamond, alias Joe Smith, Pulaski county, 16 years, burglary and larceny, received December 3, 1895; Sam Swin, alias Lee Smith, white, Jackson county, 11 years, murder, received August 4, 1895; E. F. Miller, white, Benton county, 1 year, grand larceny, received April 9, 1902; Herbert Lane, white, Sebastian county, 1 year, robbery, received March 10, 1902; Wallace Cook, colored, assault to kill, received March 12, 1902.

Pleads For His Wife.

Geo. Barrow, a former citizen of Little Rock, now serving time in New York for the kidnapping of Marion Clark, has written a long letter to Mayor Hook, of Goschen, entreating him to exert all possible influence to secure the pardon of Mrs. Barrow, his wife, who is serving a sentence in Auburn prison for the same crime. Barrow declares he forced his wife to commit the crime, which he planned for the purpose of covering the New York police department with ridicule and ignominy, and that he did not desire a ransom.

Col. Macon Won.

After a prolonged contest, Hon. R. B. Macon, of Helena, was nominated for congress from the first congressional district. The contest was between Messrs. Macon, Taylor and Parish, and 986 ballots were taken before a nomination was reached. On three ballots Mr. Taylor had the nomination, but changes before the vote was announced defeated him.

Carroll Bonner, white, was killed in a general row at Little Rock by being struck on the head with a brick.

Delegates Named.

Gov. Jeff Davis has appointed the following delegates to the International Mining Congress, which convenes in Butte, Mont., September 1: O. Stoffer, Booneville; Claude P. Spriggs, Ashdown; W. A. Weber, Maryhatlana; Jerry South, Mountain Home; Frank Pace, Harrison; Charles Floyd, Yellville; John Aday, Marshall; Jerry Scanlan, Bee Branch; W. G. Vinceneller, Fayetteville; John P. Logan, Siloam Springs; Squire Austin, Gravette.

Tax Penalties Remitted.

Governor Davis has issued a proclamation relieving 786 taxpayers of Randolph county from the penalties incurred by the failure to pay their taxes within the time prescribed by law, up to April 10. The list was certified by Sheriff W. R. Russell, in response to the governor's request.

BRIEF MENTION.

A damaging hail storm fell in Garland county June 29.

Ray Nash, one of the oldest residents of Miller county, is dead.

Rev. S. Deener, under indictment at Batesville for alleged forgeries committed ten years ago, has been released on \$4,000 bond.

The Hope Compress Company has been sold to the St. Louis Warehouse and Compress Company for \$25,000 cash.

Ned Taylor, an old colored citizen of Malvern, was arrested on an indictment returned ten years ago charging him with illegal voting.

The case of McWhorter, under sentence of death for the murder of his wife at Van Buren, has been affirmed by the supreme court.

The dry-kill of the Ezell State Company at Camden was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$15,000. The mill proper was saved by forest fire.

Robert Dickson, a railroad man, lost his life in an attempt to board a moving engine on the Texas Pacific at a small station near Texarkana.

At the recent annual meeting of the grand lodge, A. O. U. W., held in Portland, Hon. S. S. Faulkner, of Helena, was elected a member of the finance committee.

James Dill, aged 12 years, was shot and instantly killed by Johnny Prior, aged 16 years, at Hot Springs. The boys were carelessly handling an old gun, when it was discharged.

The secretary of the republican state central committee announces that there will not be a joint canvass between the candidates for state offices.

A locomotive drawing a passenger train on the Texarkana, Shreveport & Natchez railroad left the track and turned over. Engineer Ketcham and Fireman Crawford were terribly scalded.

A tie cutter by the name of Perry

Dennis committed suicide at his home six miles east of Walnut Ridge by cutting his throat with a razor. Domestic troubles are said to have been the cause.

Lush Thomas, a Camden negro, shot and killed another negro from Forrest City near McNeil. Both men were working on the Cotton Belt. Thomas surrendered. He claims to have acted in self-defense.

The grand lodge Knights of Honor of North Carolina, in session at Asheville, endorsed the proposition to establish a Pythian sanitarium at Hot Springs.

C. C. Andrews, an Arkansas county farmer, was killed by his team running away. Two wheels of the wagon passed over his body and his head was crushed.

The county judge of Zapata county, Texas, has issued an appeal saying that most of the county has had no rain for three years. He says it is impossible to exaggerate the situation.

Eighty state convicts are at work rebuilding the Iron Mountain road between Van Buren and Little Rock.

Bessie, the 8-year-old daughter of Hon. B. F. Wofford, of Crawford county, was accidentally killed by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of Homer Webb, aged 16.

Judge Jacob Triebler, of the United States district court, has reappointed Judge P. C. Dooley, of Little Rock, referee in bankruptcy for the western district of Arkansas. Referee Dooley's jurisdiction extends over two years.

Will Johnson, colored, was shot and killed by another negro named Allen on a plantation near Little Rock. Johnson, who was a tough character, entered Allen's house and opened fire on him, but missed and was riddled with a load of buckshot.

Contradicted by Request.

London, June 27.—Henry White, secretary of the United States embassy, has requested the contradiction of the announcement, printed in New York, which has just reached here, of his daughter's engagement to Marshall O. Roberts.

Earthquakes in the Tyrol.

London, June 27.—Telegraphing from Vienna, the correspondent of the Daily Express says violent earthquakes, accompanied by rumblings, have occurred throughout the Tyrol.

TO LATE AMOS CUMMINGS.

Tribute to the Memory of the Late Congressman at Carnegie Hall, New York.

IT WAS PAID BY THE UNION PRINTERS.

Mr. Cummings Recognized the Trade Union as the Greatest Civilizer Invented by Man, and Always Carried a Paid-Up Union Card in His Pocket.

New York, June 24.—Tribute has been paid to the memory of Congressman Amos J. Cummings by a large gathering at Carnegie hall. The meeting was held under the auspices of Typographical Union No. 6, of which Mr. Cummings was a member. The great hall was nearly filled. On the platform were seated the speakers and representatives of the typographical union and other labor organizations. Music was furnished by an orchestra selected from three New York theaters.

The Speakers Present.

Senator William E. Mason, of Illinois, who was to have delivered the oration, wired that he was unable to be present because of illness in his family. There were addresses by Marsden G. Scott, Rev. Philip Markham, Keridette, Congressman John S. Williams, of Mississippi, John K. Keller, James M. Robinson, Congressman David H. Merzer, of Nebraska; Rev. L. J. Evers, Owen J. Kindelon and Gen. James R. O'Brien.

As a Union Printer.

Mr. Kindelon spoke of Mr. Cummings as a union printer. He said that, although for thirty years of his life it was not necessary for him to earn a livelihood as a printer, Mr. Cummings never forgot his fellow craftsmen at the case, and that when he died he died as a printer.

Mr. Cummings, he said, recognized the trade union as the greatest civilizer invented by man, because, as he had said, with it the expression, "the equality of man" ceased to be a figure of speech and became a statement of fact.

As a Union Soldier.

Gen. O'Brien's address was on the subject, "Amos J. Cummings as a Union Soldier." He spoke in high praise of his bravery at the front, and told how Mr. Cummings acquired the congressional medal of honor while a sergeant-major of the Twenty-sixth New Jersey volunteers in aiding in the recapture of a battery and its replacement under a torrent of fire from the enemy's guns.

"He was never faithful in anything," said Gen. O'Brien. "There was no breath of scandal or wrong attached to his name; he was the friend of all and he made himself the champion of the workingmen's rights in the truest sense of that term."

IS ENVELOPED IN MYSTERY.

A Shooting Affair at the Kansas Reformatory School That Is Yet Unexplained.

It is the Belief in Washington That

the Spooner Amendment Will Eventually Be Accepted.

Washington, June 25.—Senator Morgan and Representative Hepburn, representing the senate and house conferees on the Spooner canal bill, were together, Saturday, to arrange the preliminaries for the meeting of the conferees. Their associates were not called in during the early hours of the day, but were asked to hold themselves in readiness for an early meeting.

Meantime, the friends of the respective projects were active in making plans. Although no formal meeting of the house conferees was held, informal exchanges showed their general attitude. They are, FIRST OF ALL, FOR A CANAL, and while favorable to the Nicaragua route, they will not insist upon that route to the extent of defeating all legislation. As soon as it becomes evident that the senate will not yield, the SPOONER AMENDMENT WILL BE ACCEPTED AS THE BEST SOLUTION POSSIBLE. There is doubt this is the position of two out of three of the house conferees. This insures an agreement in conference without much delay, even if the house does not relieve the conferees of their responsibilities by adopting a motion to concur with the senate, which there is good reason to believe Mr. Burton (Ohio) is ready to make.

Chinese Cruiser Wrecked.

London, June 23.—A dispatch to the Central News from Shanghai says that the Chinese cruiser Kai-Chi was wrecked Sunday by a terrific explosion while lying in the Yang Tse river. The Kai-Chi sank in 30 seconds, and 150 officers and men on board were killed or drowned. Only two on board the cruiser escaped death.

A PATHETIC INCIDENT.

A Famous Soprano Soloist Appears on the Stage While Her Child Is Dying.

Uccaria, Ill., June 23.—A pathetic incident occurred Friday night. Mme. Ragna-Linne, the famous soprano soloist, received a telegram from Chicago just before she was to appear on the stage, saying that her ten-year-old daughter was dying of pneumonia. She completed her numbers, and then left for Chicago. Before she reached there the child was dead.

STATEMENT FROM MITCHELL.

The President of the Mine Workers' Union Furnishes the Press His Views.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 23.—President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers of America has issued an address to the public for publication in the newspapers. It is partly a reply to the letters of the operators declining to accede to the demands of the union, which were published about ten days ago.

Briefly summarized, the address says that every possible means was resorted to in the effort to prevent the strike; claims that the cost of living has increased to the point where the miner was compelled to ask for higher wages; denies the allegations of the operators that the productive capacity of the mine workers has fallen off, but, on the other hand, has increased; quotes official figures to substantiate the contention that the employers can pay higher wages without increasing the cost of coal to the consumer; asserts that the coal-carrying railroads, which control about eighty-five per cent. of the mines, absorb the profits of their coal companies by charging exorbitant freight rates; claims that a ton at the mines means anywhere from 2,740 to 3,190 pounds instead of 2,240, and says that more men are killed and injured in the anthracite mines of Pennsylvania annually than were killed or wounded during the Spanish-American war. The address also says that in the event the union is crushed, which it adds is not likely, a new organization would rise from its ruins. It concludes with another appeal for arbitration of all questions in dispute.

FOREST FIRES IN NORTHWEST.

All Danger Is Now Over, and Visitors Are Enjoying the Grand Scenery Without Fear.

Tacoma, Wash., June 23.—All danger from the forest fires is at an end as far as Hot Springs and Lester are concerned. The wind has gone down and the fire is not spreading. A special from Hot Springs says that town is now safe and that the guests at the hotel are viewing the grand sight across the line without the slightest apprehension. Reports from Lester, which was also threatened, state that no further fear is apprehended there.

It was learned that the Page Lumber Co.'s camp at Eagle Gorge was destroyed Friday night, entailing a loss of \$5,000. Several of the workmen had narrow escapes from the fire, being compelled to wade the river to avoid the advancing wall of flame. The Kanasket Shingle Co.'s mill was saved, but the outbuildings and most of the logging outfit were consumed. The loss will be about two thousand dollars.

At Carrington the fire fighters have thus far been able to save the sawmill, though fire still encompasses it. A considerable part of the logging outfit has been destroyed, the loss reaching \$1,000. Several smaller wood camps in Green river valley have also been damaged to a greater or less extent. Not a single one has escaped some loss.

WITHOUT A SINGLE FATALITY.

Collapse of the St. James Hotel at Dallas, Tex.—Three Men Were Seriously Injured.

Dallas, Tex., June 24.—At 2:05 o'clock Monday morning the center section of the St. James hotel, a three-story building, located at Main and Murphy streets, collapsed, without warning, and 13 men were carried down with the debris without a single fatality. For a few minutes after the crash it was thought several lives had been lost, but by quick work firemen and policemen rescued all those who had not escaped through their own efforts. The escape of those who had been taken by the debris was marvellous, as there were tons of bricks, mortar and wood piled in above where they were found. Three men who were on the floor were thought to be the most seriously injured. They are: J. E. Effe, fell from the third floor to the ground, badly lacerated and suffering from shock.

J. F. Hoffman, serious cut in leg

and suffering from shock.

J. Ross, thought to be injured internally.

All the injured are doing well.

THERE WAS NO LOSS OF LIFE.

Burning of the Laundry of the Illinois Asylum for Feeble-Minded Children at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Ill., June 24.—A large laundry, building, valued at \$15,000, and located in the group of main buildings of the Illinois asylum for feeble minded children, was burned at an early hour Monday morning.

There was no loss of life, but great excitement among the inmates. A serious panic was averted by prompt and persistent effort and only one employee was injured.

Two Bodies Recovered.

St. Louis, June 24.—Coroner C. L. Armstrong held an inquest Monday noon at Valley Park, St. Louis county, on the bodies of Robert Reden and Adolf Kern, who were drowned at Fern Glen during a Turners' outing Sunday. He returned a verdict of accidental drowning. The bodies of Eddie Flynn and Peter Larkin are yet missing.

Elocutionists in Convention.

Chicago, June 24.—The eleventh annual convention of the National Association of Elocutionists began here. The convention was formally opened with an address of welcome on behalf of the city by Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones.

OTHERWISE UNNOTICED.

Two men were drowned by their boat plunging over a mill dam near Taylorville, Ill.

Milwaukee was selected as the next place for the saengerfest of the Northwest saengerbund.

The Filipinos are abandoning the Spanish for the more modern American methods in business.

A more hopeful tone pervades the New York stock market, due largely to the splendid crop outlook.

A passenger train jumped the track near Easton, Ia., and two men were killed and five seriously injured. Lexington (Ky.) society belles are said to have won barrels of money on Wyeth, winner of the derby at Chicago.

Edward Hogan was arrested at Centralia, Ill., charged with being a deserter from the coast artillery located at Desoto, Fla.

J. Pierpont Morgan and his associates pay in corporations' tax their entire cost of the running expenses of the state of New Jersey.

Gen. Eagan, of army beef fame, drew a pistol on a western cattleman in an Arizona restaurant and was knocked down and disarmed.

Attempts to run the street cars in Toronto, Ont., with imported men resulted in serious riots, Sunday, and several persons were injured.

The Barry County (Mo.) Society of Old Soldiers and Settlers will hold their annual reunion at Cassville, Mo., on August 19, 20, 21 and 22.

Corned beef hash promises to become the administration dish. Senator Hanna has given the recipe for his now famous dish to the world.

Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture expects good results to follow recent legislation by congress for the irrigation of arid lands.

The Cornell crew, which won such a splendid victory on the Hudson, Saturday, will be sent to England next year to have a try for the honors at Henley.

A mass meeting of the silk operators at Union Hill, N. J., ordered a general strike. The Germans opposed the strike order and trouble is expected.

Frank Burrows committed suicide, at St. Louis, by cutting his throat with a razor in the cellar of his home, after sitting up with his sick wife all night.

The war department has issued orders that young army officers who marry and acquire families must not expect quarters larger than the army regulations allow.

The English people are said to be becoming resentful of America's commercial supremacy, and are disinclined to purchase goods "made in the United States."

Dan Sheldon, a miner in the Archbold mine at Newburg, Ind., was killed by a premature explosion. Bonnie Goldback, who stood by his side in the mine, was not hurt.

Mayfield Elliott gave himself up to the sheriff at Nacogdoches, Tex., saying that he had killed G. C. McKinney and probably fatally wounded R. J. McCall, with whom he had trouble on his farm.

THE HUDSON COUNTY MILLS.

Only One Mill Running With a Full Force of Hands.

New York, June 24.—In accordance with the decision of the mill owners, reached on Friday last, all the silk plants in Hudson county, N. J., opened for business Monday. At only one mill, however, that of R. & H. Simon, in Union Hill, did the full number of men report for work. The employees were not interfered with by outsiders when they entered the mill. There was a force of police on guard at the plant and no one not employed in the mill was allowed to approach the gates. There was a crowd of idlers in the vicinity, but no demonstration was made.

INDICATIONS THAT A SETTLEMENT IS NOT FAR OFF.

Toronto, Ont., June 24.—The street railway company made no attempt to run its cars Monday morning. About 1,600 militiamen arrived here during the early morning from the annual encampment at Niagara-on-the-Lake, and are quartered at the armories. A prolonged conference between officials of the company and the board of trade committee was held during the night. Monday morning the company said: "There is a possibility of a settlement. That is all I can say. The strike is not yet over."

He added that as soon as his company was given protection they would begin running cars.

Business Agent MacDonald, for the men, stated that after a conference of 12 hours with the officers of the company, the question of wages and the recognition of the union had been practically settled.

Lost the Trail.

Vancouver, Wash., June 24.—Eight members of the sheriff's posse having Tracy and Merrill, the Oregon convicts, returned here, Sunday, and reported that the bloodhounds had dropped the trail.

The Russian Grain Outlook.

London, June 24.—A dispatch from Odessa, Russia, says that reports received there from all the black soil grain-producing regions of southern Russia indicate that an abundant harvest is assured.

IN THE REALM OF LABOR

Seventh Week of the Anthracite Coal Miners' Strike Begun With All Quiet.

PATERSON SILK MILLS SHORT-HANDED.

Only One of the Hudson County (N. J.) Silk Mills Running With Full Force—The Toronto (Ont.) Street Railway Strike Apparently Near a Settlement.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., June 24.—The seventh week of the anthracite coal miners' strike began very quietly. The big towns of the coal region show no outward evidence that a strike is on, but in the small mining settlements men can be seen on all corners idling away their days waiting for something to turn up. Interest was centered in President Mitchell's address to the public. Groups of men gathered in places in the mining towns and listened while one of their number read aloud the address of their chief.

Rumors Not Borne Out.

The rumors that the coal companies expected a break in the ranks of the men are not borne out by the actions of the men. Here and there a few men may be ready to go back, but they can not be found. Some of the officials of the companies say they get applications daily from strikers who want to go to work. These men, they say, are given work about the mines whenever they have work for them.

No Attempts to Resume.

As far as is known, none of the companies in this region is attempting to resume mining. The mine workers' committee are still endeavoring to persuade men who remained at the engines and pumps from continuing work. Very few, however, are joining the ranks of the strikers. The union is unable to make any headway with the new men brought here to take the strikers' places.

Went to Work as Usual Monday.

Cumberland, Md., June 24.—There was a rumor, Sunday night, that the West Virginia Central miners would strike Monday, but the men turned out to work Monday morning as usual. About 4,000 miners are employed along the line of the West Virginia Central.

SITUATION AT PATERSON, N. J.

Less Than One-Third of the Silk Mill Employees at Work.

PaterSON, N. J., June 24.—Although many of the silk mills were opened at the usual hour Monday morning it was estimated that less than one-third of the regular number of employees reported for work. A meeting of the strikers is to be held, but it is not expected that any definite action will be taken until the decision of the bosses as to the holding of a conference with representatives of the strikers has been announced. Details of infantry and cavalry are on duty at the mills. There were large crowds in the vicinity of the mills and the streets were full of idle workmen, but there was no disorder of any kind in the early part of the day.

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BOLEDO BY MINDANAO MOROS.

Five Soldiers of the Twenty-Seventh Infantry, on Escort Duty, Attacked and Two Wounded.

Manila, June 24.—Five soldiers of the Twenty-seventh infantry, forming an advance guard which was escorting a wagon train half a mile from Camp Vicars, island of Mindanao, were attacked Monday by ten bolobos. One soldier had an arm badly cut and another was seriously wounded in the head. The Moros captured a rifle and escaped uninjured. The Badinglam Moros say the attackers were from Bonolod, and went on the warpath for the avowed purpose of killing negligent Americans.

Lieut.-Col. Frank D. Baldwin, from the island of Mindanao, reports that the Moros have held a big consultation at Bacolod. The sultan urged a policy of friendship with the Americans, but two of the dattos said they would die first. Others declared that if the two dattos caused war they would not assist them.

All Speed Records Broken.

Altoona, Pa., June 24.—All speed records in continuous running over the main line of the Pennsylvania railroad were broken, Sunday, by Engineer Barney Rorke, of Harrisburg, who hauled fast mail train No. 11 from Harrisburg to Altoona, a distance of 132 miles in 129 minutes.

Chinese Cruiser Sunk.

Shanghai, June 24.—A dispatch from this city says that an explosion occurred on board the Chinese cruiser Kai-Chi, on the 22d, while lying in the Yang-Tse river, resulting in the sinking of the vessel and the loss of 150 lives. Only two of those on board escaped death.

The Congressional Session.

Washington, June 24.—Congress will conclude its first session in the first week in July, unless something occurs, meanwhile, to disarrange the programme. It will have been in session by that time just seven months.

The Pope as a Matchmaker.

Rome, June 24.—It is said that the queen dowager of Spain has asked the pope to suggest an eligible bride for King Alfonso. The pope has recommended either an Austrian or a Bavarian princess.